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ONE CITY, INC. RAISES \$17,000 FOR ITS ANNUAL BASKET BRIGADE

JERSEY CITY – Mayor Jerramiah T. Healy, members of the **Municipal Council**, and **Jersey City Redevelopment Agency Director Robert Antonicello** will present a total of **\$17,000** in donations to more than fifteen local non-profit charitable outreach organizations during a ceremony at **11 a.m. on Thursday, December 11, 2008**, at City Hall, 280 Grove Street.

One City, Inc. a non-profit organization created by the Jersey City Redevelopment Agency announced today has as its mission that redeveloping a city is not raising buildings, but about lifting spirits. In addition, a city must strengthen its social fabric by assisting its less fortunate residents.

“Giving back and helping those in need is the true meaning of the holidays,” said **Mayor Healy**. “One City is an organization that understands that building a community takes more than just bricks and mortar – it takes the commitment of so many people to the residents and their families.”

In response to the economy and its impact on local food banks, One City, Inc. will be making significant donation to fifteen local charitable outreach establishments. Included are Our Lady of Sorrows, St. Paul the Apostle Church, St. George & St. Shenouda Church, Monumental Baptist Church, Salem Baptist Church, Mount Olive Baptist Church, Trinity Lutheran Church, Community Health Law Project, United Way of Hudson County, Heavenly Temple Community Outreach Food Pantry, Project Homeless Connect Grace Church Van Vorst, St. Lucy's Shelter, Square Meal, Catholic Community Services, Lets Celebrate and Our Lady of Mount Carmel.

To date, One City, Inc. has raised and distributed \$125,000.00 worth of food for families in need. Persons or organizations wishing to donate to One City, Inc. can contact the Jersey City Redevelopment Agency at (201) 547-5810.